# JUNYANG CAI

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### **EDUCATION**

### University of Southern California

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Los Angeles, CA Aug 2023 - Present

• Advisor: Bistra Dilkina

• Research interest: Machine Learning + Optimization, AI for Science

# **Bucknell University**

Lewisburg, PA

B.S. in Computer Science & Engineering; B.A. in Mathematics

Aug 2019 - May 2023

• Overall GPA: 3.98 / 4.0

• Summa Cum Laude

• Member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omega Rho, Pi Mu Epsilon Honor Society

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. **Junyang Cai\***, Nguyen Nguyen\*, Nishant Shrestha, Aidan Good, Ruisen Tu, Xin Yu, Thiago Serra. Getting away with more network pruning: From sparsity to geometry and linear regions. *International Conference on Integration of Constraint Programming, Artificial Intelligence, and Operations Research (CPAIOR) 2023.*
- 2. **Junyang Cai**, Christopher M. Haggerty, Joshua V. Stough. Co-Unet-GAN: a Co-Learning Domain Adaptation Model on Echocardiography Segmentation. *Proceedings Volume 12464, Medical Imaging 2023: Image Processing*; 124641B.

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# Modeling Carceral Algorithms for Pennsylvania Prison System

Mar 2022 - May 2023

- Supervised by Professor Nathan Ryan, Bucknell University
  - Implemented sequence alignment algorithm with non-uniform time and distance intervals and applied the algorithm to analysis similarity between prisoners.
  - Performed network analysis and made predictions of parole decisions based on movement information and personal data of prisoners.

# Pruning Neural Networks Based on Linear Regions

Jan 2022 - May 2023

Supervised by Professor Thiago Serra, Bucknell University

- Analyzed ways of pruning neural networks to increase their accuracy.
- Studied faster ways to approximate the linear regions in the neural networks and construct the upper bounds formula of linear regions for pruned networks.
- Performed neural network pruning based on the sparsity arrangement that leads to the highest upper bound and achieved better accuracy in both fully connected and convolutional neural networks.

<sup>\*</sup> equal contribution

Supervised by Professor Joshua Stough, Bucknell University

- Used Convolutional Neural Networks to automatically segment echocardiography images, which can provide useful information and guide doctors to detect heart diseases.
- Trained the segmentation network and an image translation generative adversarial network (GAN) together to generalize performance across domains given supervised data only in the source domain.
- Obtained mean absolute error of 9.67% on our model outperforms a previously published model.

Named Entities Recognition of Epitaphs in the Song Dynasty
Supervised by Professor Song Chen, Bucknell University

Sept 2021 - May 2022

- Developed methods based on computer platforms to reduce the substantive work of human annotators when dealing with historical documents.
- Applied regular expression to extract kinship relationships from epitaphs. Developed algorithms and implemented node disambiguation using born place and death year information.
- Built a two-mode network to analyze the different families and their relationships in Song Dynasty.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Feb 2023 (Oral) Co-Unet-GAN: a Co-Learning Domain Adaptation Model on Echocardiography Segmentation. SPIE Medical Imaging 2023: Image Processing

### AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2023 Viterbi School of Engineering/Graduate School Fellowship for Incoming Students

2023 The Bucknell Prize in Computer Science and Engineering

2022 Ciffolillo Healthcare Technology Inventors Program

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2023 CSCI 315, Operating System, Bucknell University

2022 CSCI 311, Algorithms Design & Analysis, Bucknell University

2022 CSCI 308, Programming Language Design, Bucknell University

### **SKILLS**

Languages: Python, C, Java, C++, Matlab, LATEX Software: Gurobi, PyTorch, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib